

FACT SHEET



INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

The Intergovernmental Relations (IGR) office promotes the interests of the City with local, regional, state and federal government agencies. Each City department has individual IGR liaisons to coordinate activities with the IGR office.

Services

Tracking Pending Legislation and Issues

- Conduct and coordinate research on IGR issues; monitor state and federal legislation which could significantly impact the City.

Advocating or Opposing Legislation that Significantly Impacts the City

- Advise and support Council in taking positions on legislation and issues. City positions are generally based on legislative advocacy positions, a collection of past Council positions on issues used to determine City positions on issues that arise during the year. In FY 2004/05, IGR supported Council advocacy on 15 pieces of legislation and 15 issues.
- IGR work is also guided by the priority issues designated by Council each year to focus the City's advocacy on those issues of most importance.
- The Mayor is the spokesperson for the City on all intergovernmental issues.

Managing Council's Intergovernmental Assignments

- Support the work of Councilmembers assigned to more than 50 regional committees, including committees for the League of California Cities (LCC), the Santa Clara County Cities Association (SCCCA) and Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG).

Other IGR Services

- Coordinate annual review and implementation of newly-passed state and federal laws.
- Respond to issues concerning Moffett Field, NASA Ames Research Center and Onizuka Air Force Station.
- Coordinate the City's friendship program with designated international governments.

For more information on the City's intergovernmental relations priority issues and legislative advocacy positions, visit www.sunnyvale.ca.gov/City+Council/